

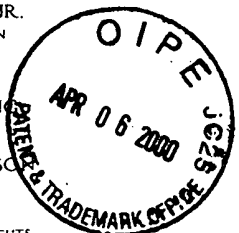
4-10-00

09819092.040600

GP-2856

LAW OFFICES OF  
**BIELN, LAMPE & THOEMING**  
 A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION  
 1990 N. CALIFORNIA BLVD.  
 SUITE 720  
 WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA 94596  
 TELEPHONE: (925) 937-1515  
 FAX: (925) 937-1529

RECEIVED  
 MAY 25 2000  
 OFFICE OF PETITIONS  
 DEPUTY AC PATENTS



THEODORE J. BIELN, JR.  
 A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION  
 THOMAS R. LAMPE  
 CHARLES L. THOEMING  
 RICHARD ESTY PETERS  
 OF COUNSEL

**BOX CPA**  
 PATENTS, TRADEMARKS & COPYRIGHTS  
**ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**  
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

EXPRESS MAIL NO: EL352244267US

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
 REQUEST TRANSMITTAL**

[X] DUPLICATE

Adjustment date: 00/21/2001 LGIBBS  
 UVAH11 00000058 09150632  
 -345.00 OP

Docket Number: **13763**  
 Prior Application Examiner: **RAEVIS, R.**  
 Art Unit: **2856**

This is a request for a ☐ continuation or ☒ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA) of prior application number 09/150,632, filed on 9 September 1998, entitled **SYSTEM FOR EXTRACTING SAMPLES FROM A STREAM.**

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 in the prior nonprovisional.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application if filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4).  
☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:  
☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/BS/81) is enclosed.
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:  
☐ PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations

00/21/2001 LGIBBS 00000010 09819092  
 01 FC:201 The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

		SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL	
ENTITY		Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
FOR: No. Filed No. Extra					
BASIC FEE			\$ 345.00		\$
TOTAL CLAIMS -20*		x 9=	\$	x18=	\$
INDEP CLAIMS - 3*		x39=	\$	x78=	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM PRESENTED		x130=	\$	x260=	\$
Assignment			\$		\$

\*If the difference in Col 1.  
 is less than zero, enter "0"  
 in Col 2.

TOTAL \$ 345.00 TOTAL \$

04/11/2000 UVAH11 00000058 09150632  
 01 FC:231 345.00 OP

1c979 U.S. PTO  
 09/819092  
 04/06/00

- 6.[X] Small entity status:  
[ ] A small entity statement is enclosed, if (b) and(c) do not apply.  
[X] A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.  
[ ] Is no longer claimed.

7.[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2273.

- [X] Fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$1.16.  
[X] Fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$1.17.  
[ ] Fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$1.18.

8.[X] A check in the amount of \$345.00 is enclosed.


9.[X] New Attorney Docket Number, if desired 13763.

10.[ ] Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A).

[X] Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized, See MPEP 503).

11.[ ] Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: April 6, 2000

  
THEODORE J. BIELEN, JR.  
Reg. No. 27,420




Atty Dkt: 13763

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY  
EXPRESS MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "**EXPRESS MAIL**" in an envelope addressed to BOX CPA, Asst. Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on April 6, 2000. Express Mail No. EL352244267US.

By:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
THEODORE J. BIELEN JR.

RECEIVED

APR 12 2000

TC 2800 MAIL ROOM

RECEIVED

MAY 31 2000

TC 2800 MAIL ROOM